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From: Myers, Craig
Sent: Fri 8/7/2015 2:11:58 PM
Subject: Gold King Mine Update

FYI.

From: Ackerman, Joyce
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2015 8:09 AM
To: McComb, Martin; Hestmark, Martin; Cristiano, Gina; Ostrander, David; Dhieux, Joyel; Myers, Craig
Subject: Update from Hays 8:00 a.m.

8:00 a.m. update from Hays:

Flow from the mine is now controlled but is still discharging to Cement Creek. The plan is to build a pond today to contain it. There is plenty of caustic soda and flocculent on-site to provide treatment once the pond is built.

Hays is going to "ground-truth" whether the 1200 gpm is the correct flow number or not.

He is driving past Silverton now on his way to Durango and says the Animas River is clearing up. It is cloudy but no longer red, so that is good news.

Joyce

From: McComb, Martin
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2015 7:57 AM
To: Ackerman, Joyce
Subject: FW: Quick Timeline

See below.

From: Hestmark, Martin
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2015 7:51 AM
To: McComb, Martin
Cc: Dhieux, Joyel; Cristiano, Gina; Ostrander, David
Subject: Re: Quick Timeline

Marty Can we find out whether Hayes has the gold king discharge diverted to treat? Is it still flowing at 1200 gpm and is it yellow and are we setting up to divert and treat?
Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 7, 2015, at 7:48 AM, McComb, Martin <McComb.Martin@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Joan,

This is what I can pull together on short notice. I hope it helps, let me know if you would like us to flesh this out more.

M

8/5/15

Blowout Occurs (10:30am)
Safety of On Site Personnel is Secured
State, County, City and Tribe are Notified
Downstream Water Intakes are Notified
EPA Issues First Press Release
EPA Begins Sampling
Plume Reaches Silverton

8/6/15

EPA Stand Up REOC
HQs, R6 and R9 are Notified
Animas is Closed to Recreational Users
Durango Treatment Plant is Secure per Reports from Water Program
Plume Reaches Durango

EPA Deploys Additional OSC, ASPECT, Personnel

EPA Issued PolRep

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ASPECT Flyover

Sampling and Monitoring Data is Available